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WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Pursell, Gary **Report No:** WIR-004750 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 11-Nov-2008

City: Oakland, CA 94607

OSM Arrival Time: 2300 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Departure Time:** 730 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV

Contractor: Zhenhua Port Machinery Company, Ltd (ZPMC), Changxing Island **Location:** Shanghai, China

CWI Name: CWI Present: Yes No Sun Bo, Liu Zhang An **Inspected CWI report:** Yes **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A Yes N/A **Electrode to specification:** No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS: Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component:** OBG, Tower

Summary of Items Observed:

Caltrans Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector, Ken Jobes, arrived on site at the Zhenhua Port Machinery Company (ZPMC) facility at Changxing Island, in Shanghai, China, to randomly monitor welding and Quality Control (QC) functions. While on site, the QA Inspector observed and/or discovered the following:

OBG Sub-Assembly Shop – Bay 1

Caltrans Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector, Ken Jobes, was present to monitor activities associated with the Production Monitoring Test (PMT) of Orthotropic Box Girder (OBG) Deck Panel U-rib welds. The PMT representing Deck Panels DP396-001 and DP342-001 was monitored. After MT of the tack welds was accepted by ZPMC Level II MT Technician, Xu Hai, the three ribs (six welds) were simultaneously welded to simulated deck plates in the horizontal groove (2G) welding position. The Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) used was WPS-B-T-2342-U1(Urib)-4. It is a combination procedure using gas metal arc welding (GMAW) for the root pass and submerged arc welding (SAW) for the cover or fill pass. The filler metals being used were verified to be as specified on the WPS; 1.4 mm diameter, ER70S-6 (JM-56) for GMAW and 4.8 mm diameter EH14K (H14) for SAW. During the test, the Caltrans QA Inspector recorded the parameters observed on the U-Ribs PMT Inspection Sheet, dated 11-12-08, for both welding processes. The name of the gantry operators and each of the welding operators' identification numbers were also recorded on the U-Ribs PMT Inspection Sheet. ZPMC Certified Welding Inspector (CWI) Sun Bo (08021741), and ABF QA Inspector Wang Zhen Hua were present during welding.

The final weld was visually examined and accepted by ZPMC CWI, Sun Bo; and ABF QA Inspector Wang Zhen

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Hua. All welds appeared to meet the specified visual examination acceptance criteria. After ultrasonic examination (UT) and acceptance by ZPMC Level II UT Technician, Xue Hai Rong, the Caltrans QA Inspector designated the locations for the required macro-etch specimens. All macro-etch specimens were prepared and found acceptable by ZPMC CWI, and ABF QA Inspector. The macro-etch specimens were then examined by the Caltrans QA Inspector and the depth of penetration on each measured and the results recorded on Caltrans Project 04-0120F4 SAS OBG Fabrication Macro Etch Log.

Heavy Machinery (Tower) Shop 1

The Caltrans QA Inspector also randomly observed semi-automatic FCAW weld build up of stiffener on the South Tower, Lift 1, Skin "E" in the vertical welding position. The Weld Repair No. was T-CWR031. WPS-345-FCAW-3G(3F)-Repair was being used. Welder, Chang Chuan Cang (I. D. 053870), was performing the welding and CWI, Liu Zhang An (CWI No. 06062021) was monitoring this welding as were two ABF QA Inspectors. The QA Inspector verified the qualifications of the welder for the work being performed; that the electrode type (E71T-1) and diameter (1.4 mm) were as specified and that preheat, voltage, amperage and travel speed appeared to be within the applicable ranges on the WPS.

All above observations appeared to meet the requirements of the job specifications.

Summary of Conversations:

As identified within the contents of this report.

Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Peter Dautermann (1500219953) China, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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